

Graduated Sanctions Meeting Minutes December 21, 2004

Attendance: Melissa, Beecher, Juvenile Justice Coordinator; Linda Alm, CenterPoint; Amanda Heiderich, Cedars; Ashley Wimes, Lincoln Action Program; Rose Hughes, Lighthouse; Corey Steel, Juvenile Expediter; and Dennis Banks, Detention Center.

I. Attendance in Sanctions

- Referrals are up.
- There were 2 days during which none of the Graduated Sanctions programs had any slots open.
- There is a Waiting List for some of the programs.
- Cell phone monitors are both in use.

II. Youth in Detention

- There are 61 youth in the Detention Center today.
- The number of youth in the Detention Center is going down.
- Eval's are starting to come back.
- County is still looking at the evaluation process.

III. Update on County Board Meeting

- The County Board is very supportive of Graduated Sanctions.
- Melissa will be looking at cost effectiveness of programs, recidivism rates.

IV. Program Updates

- Project Hire - has 3 slots open.
- Youth Act – has 8 youth involved in the program.
- Trackers - new staff hired, and promoting staff.
- Cedar's DR – Full
- BEST DR – Full
- ERC – Full
- Detention Center – Had to open a pod that was not staffed for, due to OJS eval's causing an overflow of youth.
- Assessment Center – F-3 Resource Center making referrals from people within the community who want their youth assessed.

The next Graduated Sanctions meeting will be January 18th, 2005 at 8:30 a.m.